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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2003, applicants hereby provisionally elect "general species" 1, and "additional species" A. Claims 1, 11-13, 15, 17 and 18 read on the elected species.

The election requirement is traversed since it is believed that all species outlined on page 2 of the Office Action could be examined in a single application without imposing an undue burden on the Examiner. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the election requirement be reconsidered and withdrawn and that all claims pending herein be examined in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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